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Title: Methods and Apparatus for Semantic Unit Based
Automatic Indexing and Searching in Data Archive Systems

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated July 2, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 7, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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Several patents and patent applications deal with audio-indexing and searching of audio data, e.g., U.S. Patent No. 5,649,060 issued to Ellozy et al. on July 15, 1997; U.S. Patent No. 5,794,249 issued to Orsolini et al. on August 11, 1998; and U.S. patent application identified by serial no. 09/108,544 (attorney docket no. Y0998-120), entitled: "Audio-Video Archive and Method for Automatic Indexing and Searching," filed on July 1, 1998, the disclosures of which are incorporated by reference herein. All of the approaches taken in these patents and the patent application use a